

Attachment Two

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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GABRIEL THOMAS PORTEOUS, JR., Judge, Division A, 24th Judicial District Court, Parish of Jefferson, was interviewed at his place of business, JEFFERSON PARISH COURTHOUSE, Gretna, Louisiana 70053, 504/364-3850. PORTEOUS was advised that he was being interviewed as a result of a request for the FBI to conduct a background investigation concerning his candidacy for U.S. District Judge, Eastern District of Louisiana. PORTEOUS was advised that the scope of the questions asked during the interview was not necessarily limited to the timeframe on the SF-86 and that his response to each question should cover his entire adult life, since age 18. It was also pointed out the PORTEOUS that Question 23 on the SF-86, pertaining to "Police Record," covers activities since his 16th birthday.

PORTEOUS currently resides at 4801 Neyrey Drive, Metairie, Louisiana, which is the only property he owns at this time. PORTEOUS attended LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AT NEW ORLEANS (LSU-NO), from September, 1964, to May, 1968, while he resided with his family at 2218 Madrid Street, New Orleans, Louisiana. LSU-NO is known as the UNIVERSITY OF NEW ORLEANS (UNO) today. PORTEOUS was employed by BAKER'S SHOE STORES as listed in his application the summer after his graduation from high school and during his attendance at LSU-NO.

After graduation from LSU-NO in May, 1968, PORTEOUS continued to work for BAKER'S SHOE STORES during the summer. During PORTEOUS' attendance at LSU LAW SCHOOL in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, he continued to work part-time for BAKER'S and affiliated shoe stores in Baton Rouge. He believes BAKER'S is owned by EDISON SHOES. After PORTEOUS' first year of law school, from May, 1969, to approximately August, 1969, he resided with his parents on Madrid Street for a few months while he prepared for his wedding. PORTEOUS said that after graduation from law school in May, 1971, he was preparing for the Bar examination which he took in late June or early July, 1971. He believes he began working at the Office of the Attorney General, State of Louisiana, throughout the Summer of 1971, before becoming Special Counsel there in September, 1971.

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by SA BOBBY P. HAMIL, JR., and
SA CHEYENNE D. TACKETT:rsq Date dictated 7/8/94

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PORTEOUS advised that from July, 1982, until August, 1984, he was employed part-time as a city attorney for the City of Harahan, simultaneously working as a Jefferson Parish District Attorney. He advised that the law firm of EDWARDS, PORTEOUS, & AMATO that he had been with beginning January, 1973, is the firm that evolved into PORTEOUS & MUSTAKAS, of which he was a partner until August, 1984. PORTEOUS said that he was employed part-time with B&L ASSOCIATES from August, 1970, to May, 1971, while at the same time working part-time for BAKER'S. He said that he was basically "on call" for B&L ASSOCIATES to conduct interviews and take statements.

PORTEOUS said that he does not really have a supervisor currently but listed HUGH COLLINS on his application as COLLINS is the judicial administrator for the State of Louisiana.

PORTEOUS said that he has no personal or business credit issues, including but not limited to repossessions, delinquent student loans, debts placed for collection, or bankruptcy. He advised that he is current on all Federal, State, and local tax obligations, including but not limited to income taxes, Medicare taxes, Social Security taxes, and unemployment taxes. PORTEOUS said that the only back payment of taxes he has had to make was either in 1974, 1975, or 1976 when he was with the firm EDWARDS, PORTEOUS & LEE. He advised that upon an Internal Revenue Service (IRS) audit, the firm was advised that advances the firm paid for filing fees could not be considered expenses, as the firm had indicated on their tax returns. The firm paid the taxes on the difference of taxable income excluding the filing fees as expenses.

PORTEOUS stated that other than the civil suits listed on the supplement to his SF-86, he has not been involved in any civil suits as a plaintiff or defendant, to include divorces. PORTEOUS said that he has had no involvement in criminal matters as a suspect or subject or any criminal charge, arrest, or conviction.

PORTEOUS said that he had not been denied employment or been dismissed from employment, to include the Federal sector. PORTEOUS advised that he has had no contact with official representatives of foreign countries.

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PORTEOUS said he is not concealing any activity or conduct that could be used to influence, pressure, coerce, or compromise him in any way or that would impact negatively on the candidate's character, reputation, judgement, or discretion.

PORTEOUS stated that he has had no professional complaints or any non-judicial disciplinary action against him, to include Bar Association grievances, Better Business Bureau complaints, student or military disciplinary proceedings, Equal Employment Opportunity complaints, and Office of Professional Responsibility inquiries. PORTEOUS said that in his official capacity, he, along with all judges in the 24th Judicial District Court, was sued by SHURMAINE DE GRANGE and IDA WILLIAMS for alleged discrimination. He said that both petitioners were former employees of the late Judge LIONEL COLLINS. The suit is referred to in PORTEOUS' supplemental SF-86.

PORTEOUS advised that he is not involved in any business or investment circumstances that could or have involved conflicts of interest allegations.

PORTEOUS said that he has had no psychological counseling with psychiatrists, psychologists, or other qualified counselors, including marital counselors.

PORTEOUS said that he has not abused alcohol or prescription drugs or used illegal drugs, to include marijuana, during his entire adult life. He has had no participation in drug or alcohol counseling/rehabilitation programs since age 18.

PORTEOUS advised that he has had no involvement in any organization which advocates the use of force to overthrow the U.S. Government or any involvement in the commission of sabotage, espionage, or assistance of others in any of these acts. PORTEOUS knows of no current or past circumstances that could have a bearing on his suitability for Federal employment or access to classified information.

PORTEOUS advised that he has no current membership in any organization or social/private club which restrict membership on the basis of sex, race, color, religion, or national origin. PORTEOUS currently is a member of the following: American Bar Association, Jefferson Bar Association, American Judges

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Associations, American Judicature Society, Louisiana District Attorney's Association, 4th and 5th Circuit Judges Association, Chateau Golf and Country Club, and St. Clement of Rome Men's Club. PORTEOUS has held the office of President of the 4th and 5th Circuit Judges Association within the last five years but does not currently hold that position. PORTEOUS advised that St. Clement is the church which he attends. He said that within the church there is a women's and men's club which have different functions in the church.

PORTEOUS advised that sometime between 1979 and 1982, he was a member of the Mardi Gras krewe of CAESAR for two years. The Mardi Gras krewe is an organization which sponsors a parade and other festivities during Mardi Gras. He advised that this was an all-male krewe at the time, but he is not sure what its membership consists of currently. PORTEOUS did not hold an office in this organization.

PORTEOUS advised that he has not written any articles for publication or made any major speeches. He said that he gives a presentation annually to the Jefferson Bar Association on topics such as conflicts of interest and medical malpractice. He has given presentations to the Louisiana Bar Association and the Louisiana Judicial College as well. These presentations consist of an outline, a short synopsis, and case examples for the continuing legal education of these organizations' members.

PORTEOUS said that he has been taking out student loans for his son through a "Parent-Plus" Program at FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE (FNBC), New Orleans, each semester. Repayment of these loans had been deferred until his son's graduation until recently. PORTEOUS advised that on March 7, 1994, he received his first notice that payment on the loan was due. By this time, it was overdue. In April, 1994, he received forms to fill out for deferment of payment until his son's graduation. He filled the forms out, and the school signed them on April 14, 1994. On May 3, 1994, PORTEOUS received a letter of ineligibility for deferment since the parent is paying back the loan. On May 25, 1994, he sent the lending institution a request for forbearance on the debt because of the confusion over eligibility for deferment. PORTEOUS then paid \$96.83 to FNBC which covered accrued interest and, on June 28, 1994, commenced making payments as scheduled. PORTEOUS said this loan is now current.

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PORTEOUS advised that he has seen a plastic surgeon for surgery on his ear whose name is Dr. GUSTAVE COLON. He said his internist is Dr. ROBERT SONGY.

PORTEOUS provided the supplement to his SF-86 with Attachments 1 & 2 to the interviewing Agents. PORTEOUS signed an FD-465, Medical Release Form, at this time. Also provided to the Agents was a copy of certification from Chief Disciplinary Counsel, Louisiana State Bar Association, stating that there is no pending or past record of any complaint, grievance, disciplinary action, or disciplinary proceeding against PORTEOUS.